



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2012**

The following represents the actions taken by the Austin City Council in the order they occurred during the meeting. While the minutes are not in sequential order, all agenda items were discussed. The City Council of Austin, Texas, convened in a regular meeting on Monday, September 10, 2012 in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 301 West Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Mayor Leffingwell called the Council Budget Adoption Reading Meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

Mayor Leffingwell recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 9:07 a.m. Council Member Spelman was off the dais.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council went into Executive Session, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from Legal Counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, litigation, and personnel matters as specifically listed on this agenda and to receive advice from Legal Counsel regarding any other item on this agenda.

- 11. Discuss legal issues related to Open Government matters (Private consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government Code).
- 12. Discuss legal issues related to prevailing wage matters on City construction contracts (Private consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Government Code)

The Mayor announced Council would also consider items 1 and 3 on the agenda.

Executive Session ended and Mayor Leffingwell called the Council Meeting back to order at 10:50 a.m.

- 1. Approve an ordinance adopting the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013, beginning on October 1, 2012, and ending on September 30, 2013.
The motion to formally close the public hearing was approved on Mayor Pro Tem Cole's motion, Council Member Martinez' second on a 6-0 vote. Council Member Spelman was off the dais.

There was a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 20120910-001 with the following amendments from staff that was made by Council Member Morrison and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cole. Staff's recommended budget changes were:

- Amend the proposed budget of the Austin Fire Department to add three (3) full time equivalents (FTE) to create the Wildfire Mitigation Division.
- Amend the proposed budget for the Parks and Recreation Department to add one (1) FTE to provide for increased maintenance for Umlauf Garden
- Amend the proposed Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund to increase the transfer out to the General Fund Critical One Time Fund by \$87,033 for the purchase of equipment for the Austin Fire Department to create the Wildfire Mitigation Division.
- Amend the proposed budget of the General Fund Critical One Time Fund to increase transfer in from the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund by \$87,033 for the purchase of equipment for the Austin Fire Department to create the Wildfire Mitigation Division.

Other Operating Funds

- Amend the proposed budget of the Parking Management Fund by decreasing the transfer to the Great Streets CIP program in the amount of \$783,019.
- Amend the proposed budget of the Austin Resource Recovery Fund by increasing transfers to the Environmental Remediation Fund in the amount of \$287,000.
- Amend the proposed budget for the Drainage Utility Fund by increasing transfer to the Environmental Remediation Fund in the amount of \$287,000.
- Amend the proposed budget for the Austin Water Utility by increasing transfers to the Environmental Remediation Fund in the amount of \$287,000.
- Amend the proposed budget for the Austin Water Utility Fund by decreasing Water Service Revenue in the Customer Assistance Program by \$900,000 to provide for water volumetric rate discounts.
- Amend the proposed budget of the Environmental Remediation Fund by increasing transfers in by \$861,000 and increasing transfers out to the Austin Resource Recovery CIP by the same amount.
- Amend the proposed budget of the Code Compliance Department Fund by increasing revenue in the amount of \$352,392 and by increasing expenditures in the same amount as well as adding three (3) new FTEs for the Short Term Rental Program.

Special Revenue Funds (Grants)

- Amend the proposed budget of the Austin Fire Department Special Revenue Fund by increasing appropriations in the amount of \$5,010,000 and by adding thirty six (36) FTEs for the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
- Amend the proposed budget of the Health and Human Services Department Special Revenue Fund by increasing appropriations in the amount of \$186,000 for the Emergency Solutions Grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- Amend the proposed budget of the Municipal Court Department Special Revenue Fund by adding two (2) FTEs for the Emergency Solutions Grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Mayor Leffingwell's motion to amend the General Fund budget by reducing appropriations in the amount of \$4,468,224 for the following departments failed on 1-6 vote. Mayor Leffingwell voted aye.

Municipal Court -- \$285,201

Planning and Development Review -- \$500,216
 Health and Human Services -- \$436,286
 Animal Services -- \$163,409
 Social Services -- \$349,863
 Parks and Recreation -- \$1,022,892
 Library -- \$604,910
 Transfers Out to Support Services -- \$736,180
 Transfers Out to CTM -- \$369,268
 Amend the General Funds budget by reducing property tax revenues \$4,468,224.

The following proposals were offered by Council Members to be voted on later:

Mayor Pro Tem Cole proposed the following reductions:	
Eliminate vacant positions from Building Services	(\$212,371)
Eliminate vacant position from Financial Services	(60,152)
Eliminate vacant positions from CTM	(196,666)
Partial reductions in contracts from Management Services	(62,190)
Total	(\$531,379)
Mayor Pro Tem Cole’s proposed additions:	
Austin Free Net gap funding and expansion	\$143,958
Auditor’s Budget for an Assistant City Auditor and Continuing education	156,628
Landscape Architect for community initiated projects	76,634
Urban Forestry – two (2) FTS	154,159
Total	\$531,379

Council Member Martinez’ proposal was to add \$248,356 to the Wildfire Mitigation Fund from the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund -- Critical One Time Fund for four (4) FTEs for half year funding.

Council Member Martinez’ proposal was to reduce Police overtime by \$200,000 and reallocate those funds for the Council for At Risk Youth.

Mayor Leffingwell recessed the Council Meeting at 12:58 p.m. for lunch. The meeting was called back to order at 1:52 p.m.

Council Member Morrison’s proposal was to amend the proposed budget of the Critical One Time Fund to increase the transfers in from the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund in a total amount of \$580,000, including the \$248,356 proposed by Council Member Martinez.

Council Member Morrison’s proposal was to use \$250,000 from the Critical One Time Fund to provide seed money to apply for matching funds from the 11-15 Waiver Funds for the Healthy Families Travis County program, specifically targeted for African American families.

Council Member Morrison’s proposal was to amend the proposed budget of the Austin Police Department to increase appropriations by \$84,057 and add one (1) FTE for the Human Trafficking program to be funded from the Budget Stabilization Reserve -- Critical One Time Fund for one year.

Council Member Morrison's proposal was to direct staff to reallocate \$73,000 from the Critical One Time Fund to the Health and Human Services Department to fund River City Youth Foundation and find an additional \$73,000 to fully fund the program. The money would come from the unallocated funds in the Social Services Contracts line item.

Council Member Morrison's proposal was to amend the proposed budget of the Communications and Technology Department to add two (2) FTEs to form an Innovation Office and direct the City Manager to reallocate \$250,000 with the Communications and Technology Department by reducing the budget for the Citywide IT Strategy Assessment from \$1 million to \$750,000.

Council Member Morrison's proposal was to add a special line in the Transportation Fund in the amount of \$570,845 to support more equitable programs related to the transportation system that support the Imagine Austin Plan. The amount would come from the ending balance of this fund.

Council Member Morrison's proposal was to amend the proposed budget of Austin Energy to increase appropriations in the amount of \$3,500,000 for the Solar Program to be funded by lowering the fund balance.

Council Member Riley's proposal was to amend the proposed budget of the General Fund to increase revenues from Parks fees by \$21,731 based upon the amended fees for Plaza Saltillo and amend the proposed budget of the Parks and Recreation Department to increase appropriations by \$21,731 and add a part time (.5) FTE for maintenance of Plaza Saltillo.

Council Member Tovo's amendment included the following: to amend the proposed budget of the Austin Water Utility by increasing transfers out to the Sustainability Fund in the amount of \$659,203; to amend the proposed budget of the Sustainability Fund to increase transfers in from the Austin Water Utility in the amount of \$659,203; to amend the proposed budget of the Sustainability Fund to increase transfers out to the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department in the amount of \$557,518; to amend the proposed budget of the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department to increase the transfers in from the Sustainability Fund by \$557,518 and increase appropriations in the amount of \$557,518; and to amend the proposed budget of the Housing Trust Fund to reduce appropriations in the amount \$557,518.

Council Member Tovo's proposal was to amend the proposed budget of the Watershed Department to utilize 1% of the drainage fee (\$648,293) for tree maintenance and watering at public park facilities. Direction was given to staff to (1) prioritize up to 1% of the Drainage Utility Fund for maintenance and watering of vegetation and trees where doing so furthers the mission of the Drainage Utility as provided in state law; (2) direct the City Manager to (a) conduct a study regarding the relationship between drainage utility functions prescribed by state law and the maintenance and watering of vegetation and trees on public land and facilities and the necessary fiscal requirements; and (b) report the results of the study to Council within 90 days. (3) After review of the report, if Council finds that savings exist in the PARD budget, Council shall direct budget amendments as

needed to reallocate the funds to youth and senior programs and the Urban Forestry programs.

Council Member Tovo's proposal was amend the General Fund by increasing transfers from the Sustainability Fund for the PARD Roving Leader Program in the amount of \$95,535 to add one (1) FTE and increase transfers to the Critical One Time Fund in the amount of \$124,300 to fund one time costs for the Roving Leader Program.

Mayor Leffingwell's proposal was to amend the proposed budget of Austin Resource Recovery by decreasing the appropriation for public education campaigns by \$1,000,000 and to amend the proposed budget of Austin Resource Recovery by decreasing revenue by \$1,000,000 to reflect a reduction in the Clean Community Fee

Without objection, the Mayor recessed the meeting at 4:00 p.m. to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. tomorrow.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 11, 2012.

Staff summarized the proposals made on September 10, 2012 and impact they would have on revenue and expenditures for the General Fund and Other Funds.

1. Approve an ordinance adopting the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013, beginning on October 1, 2012, and ending on September 30, 2013.

There was a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 20120910-001 that was made by Council Member Morrison and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cole. The motion includes the staff amendments that were presented yesterday and the approved Council Member amendments shown below.

Council Member Martinez' proposal to add \$248,356 to the Wildfire Mitigation Fund from the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund -- Critical One Time Fund for four (4) FTEs for a half year funding was withdrawn.

Council Member Riley's proposal to amend the proposed budget of the General Fund to increase revenues from Parks fees by \$21,731 to be funded by the amended fees for rental of Plaza Saltillo and to amend the proposed budget of the Parks and Recreation Department to increase appropriations by \$21,731 and add a part time (.5) FTE for maintenance of Plaza Saltillo was approved on a 7-0 vote.

Council Member Morrison withdrew her previous proposal to amend the proposed budget of the Austin Police Department to increase transfers in from the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund by \$84,057 and add one (1) FTE for the Human Trafficking program to be funded from the Budget Stabilization Reserve -- Critical One Time Fund for one year.

The following combined proposal failed on 3-4 vote. Those voting aye were: Council Members Morrison, Riley and Tovo. Those voting nay were: Mayor Leffingwell, Mayor Pro Tem Cole, and Council Members Martinez and Spelman.

- Council Member Tovo's proposal to fully fund the Roving Leader program to implement the program in one quadrant at a cost of \$95,535 with funds coming from the Sustainability Fund.
- Council Member Tovo's proposal to amend the Stabilization Reserve Fund by \$124,300 to increase transfers to the Critical One Time Fund for the Roving Leader Program.
- Council Member Tovo's proposal to amend the proposed budget of the Austin Water Utility by increasing transfers out to the Sustainability Fund in the amount of \$659,203; to amend the proposed budget of the Sustainability Fund to increase transfers in from the Austin Water Utility in the amount of \$659,203; to amend the proposed budget of the Sustainability Fund to increase transfers out to the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department in the amount of \$557,518; to amend the proposed budget of the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department to increase the transfers in from the Sustainability Fund by \$557,518 and increase appropriations in the amount of \$557,518; and to amend the proposed budget of the Housing Trust Fund to reduce appropriations in the amount \$557,518.

Mayor Pro Tem Cole withdrew her proposal to add one (1) FTE landscape architect to the Parks and Recreation budget in the amount of \$76,634 and to add two (2) FTEs for the Urban Forestry program in the amount of \$154,159.

The following were taken as a combined motion that passed on a 6-1 vote with Mayor Leffingwell voted nay.

- Council Member Morrison's proposal to increase appropriations in the amount of \$76,634 for Social Service Contracts for permanent Supportive Housing Services.
- Mayor Pro Tem Cole's proposals for the following:
 - amend the Telecommunications and Regulatory Affairs Office of the Management Services Department to increase appropriations by \$143,958 for gap funding and expansion of the Austin Free Net.
 - amend the proposed budget of the Building Services Department to reduce appropriations in the amount of \$212,371 by eliminating vacant positions.
 - amend the proposed budget of the Financial Services Department to reduce appropriation in the amount of \$60,152 by eliminating a vacant position.
 - amend the proposed budget of CTM to reduce appropriations in the amount of \$196,666 by eliminating vacant positions and reduce the transfer to CTM from the Support Service Fund in a like amount.
 - amend the proposed budget of Management Services by reducing appropriations in the amount of \$62,190 for contract services.
 - amend the proposed budget of the Office of the City Auditor by adding one (1) FTE in the amount of \$126,628 and adding \$30,000 for training.
 - Amend the proposed budget by reducing transfers into the Support Service Fund from the General Fund in the amount of \$230,793.

Council Member Martinez' proposal to reduce Police overtime by \$200,000 and reallocate those funds for the Council for At Risk Youth was approved on a 6-1 vote. Mayor Leffingwell voted nay.

Council Member Morrison's proposal to direct staff to reallocate \$73,000 from existing Social Services Contracts in the Health and Human Services Department to fund River City Youth

Foundation and directing the City Manager to find an additional \$73,000 to fully fund the program was approved on a 6-1 vote. Mayor Leffingwell voted nay.

Council Member Morrison's proposal to use \$250,000 from the Critical One Time Fund to provide seed money to apply for matching funds from the 11-15 Waiver Funds for the Healthy Families Travis County program, specifically targeted for African American families, was approved on a 6-1 vote. Mayor Leffingwell voted nay.

Council Member Morrison's offered a proposal to eliminate the funding for the landscape architect and instead fund a position in Health and Human Services in the amount of \$84,057 with the funds coming from the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund – Critical One Time Fund. Mayor Pro Tem Cole withdrew her proposal for funding for the landscape architect.

Council Member Riley's proposal to transfer \$248,385 from the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund to the Critical One Time Fund for implementation costs for the Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) was approved on a 7-0 vote.

Council Member Morrison's proposal to amend the proposed budget of the Communications and Technology Department to add two (2) FTEs to form an Innovation Office and direct the City Manager to reallocate \$250,000 within the Communications and Technology Department by reducing the budget for the Citywide IT Strategy Assessment from \$1 million to \$750,000 was approved on a 7-0 vote.

Council Member Morrison's proposal to add a special line in the Transportation Fund in the amount of \$570,845 to support more equitable programs related to the transportation system that support the Imagine Austin Plan was approved on a 7-0 vote. The amount would come from the ending balance of this fund.

Council Member Tovo's proposal to amend the proposed budget of the Watershed Department to utilize 1% of the drainage fee (\$648,293) for tree maintenance and watering at public park facilities was approved on a 7-0 vote. Direction was given to staff to (1) prioritize up to 1% of the Drainage Utility Fund for maintenance and watering of vegetation and trees where doing so furthers the mission of the Drainage Utility as provided in state law; (2) direct the City Manager to (a) conduct a study regarding the relationship between drainage utility functions prescribed by state law and the maintenance and watering of vegetation and trees on public land and facilities and the necessary fiscal requirements; and (b) report the results of the study to Council within 90 days. (3) After review of the report, if Council finds that savings exist in the PARD budget, Council shall direct budget amendments as needed to reallocate the funds to youth and senior programs and the Urban Forestry programs.

Mayor Leffingwell's proposal to amend the proposed budget of Austin Resource Recovery by re-appropriation of \$1,000,000 for public education campaigns to fund street cleaning, code compliance and graffiti abatement services failed on a 3 to 4 vote. Those voting aye were: Mayor Leffingwell, Mayor Pro Tem Cole and Council Member Martinez. Those voting nay were: Council Members Morrison, Riley, Tovo, and Spelman.

The following combined proposal from Council Member Spelman's was approved on a 6-1 vote. Mayor Leffingwell voted nay.

- to amend the proposed budget of the Austin Water Utility by increasing transfer out to the Sustainability Fund in the amount of \$383,465
- to amend the proposed budget of the Sustainability Fund to increase transfers in from the Austin Water Utility in the amount of \$383,465.
- to amend the proposed budget of the Sustainability Fund to increase transfers out to the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department in the amount of \$287,930.
- To amend the proposed budget of the Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department to increase the transfers in from the Sustainability Fund by \$287,930 and increase appropriations in the amount of \$287,930.
- To amend the proposed budget by adding a transfer into the General Fund from the Sustainability Fund in the amount of \$95,535 for the Roving Leader Program.

On a 7-0 vote, Council approved a change to the General Fund Financial Policy #3 to read, "To improve financial planning, non-emergency amendments to the Adopted Budget shall be accomplished in one mid-year Council Meeting except in cases where the amendments are fully offset by new revenue resulting from the initiative and there is no discretion on how the revenue is spent."

Council Member Tovo's proposal to amend the proposed budget by adding back the existing language of the Austin Water Utility Financial Policy related to voter approval of revenue debt was approved on a 6-1 vote. Mayor Leffingwell voted nay.

Mayor Pro Tem Cole's proposal to amend the Health and Human Services budget by increasing appropriations in the amount of \$154,159 for early childhood development was approved on a 6-1 vote. Mayor Leffingwell voted nay. Funding would come from the Budget Stabilization Fund – Critical One Time Fund.

Without objection, the Mayor recessed the Council Meeting at 1:14 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 2:09 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Cole proposal to amend the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund by transferring \$100,000 to the Critical One Time Fund for parks equipment for Urban Forestry was approved on a 6-1 vote. Mayor Leffingwell voted no.

Council Member Morrison's proposal to amend the proposed budget of Austin Energy to increase appropriations in the \$3,500,000 for the Solar Program was approved on a 7-0 vote. The funding would come from drawing down the ending balance of the fund.

Council Member Morrison withdrew the following proposals:

- To amend the proposed budget of the Parks and Recreation Department to add one (1) Roving Leader FTE and supplies and equipment in the amount of \$76,634;
- To amend the proposed budget of the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund by transferring \$15,155 to the Critical One Time Fund for supplies and equipment related to the Roving Leader Program.
- To amend the Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund by transferring \$15,155 to the Critical One Time Fund for supplies and equipment related to the Roving Leader Program.

Ordinance No. 20120910-001 was approved with staff and Council Member amendments on Council Member Morrison’s motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole’s second on a 6-1 vote. Mayor Leffingwell voted nay.

- 2. Approve an ordinance adopting the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013, beginning on October 1, 2012, and ending on September 30, 2013.

Ordinance No. 20120910-002 was approved with the staff amendments on Council Member Morrison’s motion, Council Member Riley’s second on a 7-0 vote. Staff recommended budget changes were:

- o Amend the transfers to the Austin Resource Recovery Capital Improvements Program from the Environmental Remediation Fund in the amount of \$861,000 and increase appropriations by the same amount for the Rosewood CIP Project.
- o Amend the proposed budget by increasing appropriations for the Parks and Recreation Barton Springs Pool CIP Project in the amount of \$71,689.
- o Amend the proposed budget by decreasing appropriations for the Planning and Development Review Great Streets CIP Program in the amount of \$783,019.

- 3. Approve an ordinance authorizing fees, fines, and other charges to be set or charged by the City for Fiscal Year 2012-2013, beginning on October 1, 2012, and ending on September 30, 2013.

Ordinance No. 20120910-003, including staff and Council amendments, was approved on Mayor Pro Tem Cole’ motion, Council Member Spelman’s second on a 7-0 vote. Staff’s recommended budget changes were:

Fees

Amend the proposed fee schedule of the Austin Water Utility to include a separate fee section under the Water Service Rates for the Customer Assistance Program to provide for water volumetric rate discounts, adding the following fees:

Customer Assistance Program (CAP)	FY 2011-12 Approved Fee	FY 2012-13 Proposed Fee
0 - 2,000 Gallons	\$0.00	\$1.00
2,001 – 6,000 Gallons	\$0.00	\$2.25
6,001 – 11,000 Gallons	\$0.00	\$3.90
11,001 – 20,000 Gallons	\$0.00	\$7.50
20,001 – Over Gallons	\$0.00	\$12.25

Amend the proposed fee schedule of the Code Compliance Department to include the following fees for the Short Term Rental Program:

Short Term Rental	FY2011-12 Approved Fee	FY2012-13 Proposed
License	\$0	\$235/year

Amend the proposed fee schedule of Austin Energy that was approved by Council on June 7, 2012 to change:

- o the secondary voltage <10 kW from demand rate to non-demand time-of-use;

- secondary voltage rates clarified for public school (ISD) discount and house of worship ceiling;
- power factor examples corrected;
- primary voltage 20>MW rate schedule modified to show correct rate;
- GreenChoice rate schedule and option language modified to ensure consistency;
- State of Texas charges removed from standby capacity rate schedule;
- Typing errors corrected for Large Primary Service Special Contract Industrial Rider; Fuel Adjustment Clause rate schedule; and Transmission Service Adjustment Rate (TSAR) schedule;
- Customer Owner Non-Metered Lighting estimated monthly kWh used by each fixture added to schedule;
- Rider Time of Use (TOU) – Thermal Energy Storage to allow customers served under long-term contract rates to continue benefitting from their thermal energy system and preserves the option of long-term contract customers adding thermal energy storage systems in the future;
- Power Supply Adjustment (PSA) to clarify wording to reflect the concept that GreenChoice expenses and revenue will be netted in PSA; and
- Regulatory Charge including Electric Reliability Council of Texas ERCOT credits as applicable
- Staff recommended AE rate tariffs called “Proposed New Rates from Austin Energy.”

- Council Member Riley’s proposal was to amend the proposed fees for the Parks and Recreation Department pertaining to Plaza Saltillo in the following manner:

Plaza Saltillo	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13
Minimum Fee (7 hours)	\$200	\$0
Rental Fee (4 hours)	\$0	\$150
Maintenance Fee	\$0	\$150/day
Electricity Fee	\$150/day	\$50/day

Items 4 and 5 were taken as a combined motion.

4. Approve an ordinance establishing classifications and positions in the classified service of the Fire Department; creating positions in certain ranks; establishing pay rates; and repealing Ordinance No. 20110912-009 relating to the Fire Department classifications and positions.
Ordinance No. 20120910-004 was approved on Council Member Tovo’s motion, Council Member Martinez’ second on a 7-0 vote.
5. Approve an ordinance establishing classifications and positions in the classified service of the Austin Police Department, creating certain positions, establishing pay rates and repealing Ordinance No. 20120308-014 relating to police department classifications and positions.
Ordinance No. 20120910-005 was approved on Council Member Tovo’s motion, Council Member Martinez’ second on a 7-0 vote.

Items 6, 7 and 8 were taken as a combined motion.

6. Approve a resolution declaring the City of Austin's official intent to reimburse itself from: November 2006 Proposition 1 General Obligation bonds in the amount of \$1,100,000 related to sidewalk reconstruction and improvements and traffic signals; November 2006 Proposition 2

General Obligation bonds in the amount of \$3,700,000 related to watershed protection master plan projects; November 2006 Proposition 3 General Obligation bonds in the amount of \$2,400,000 related to parks facilities improvements and renovations, parkland acquisition, playscapes, pool improvements and renovations, and trails; November 2006 Proposition 4 General Obligation bonds in the amount of \$2,000,000 related to community and cultural facilities; November 2006 Proposition 6 General Obligation bonds in the amount of \$5,000,000 related to a new central library; Certificates of Obligation in the amount of \$7,125,000 for the Waller Creek Tunnel and Building Renovations and Improvements; and Contractual Obligations in the amount of \$46,615,000 for City of Austin Telecommunications Network Upgrade; the Greater Austin-Travis County Regional Radio System, and Austin Fire Department Vehicles.

Resolution No. 20120910-006 was approved on Council Member Martinez' motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole's second on a 7-0 vote.

7. Approve a resolution declaring the City of Austin's official intent to reimburse itself from the proceeds of tax-exempt obligations in an aggregate maximum principle amount of \$131,000,000 for expenditures related to the acquisition and construction of electric utility capital improvement projects.

Resolution No. 20120910-007 was approved on Council Member Martinez' motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole's second on a 7-0 vote.

8. Approve a resolution declaring the City of Austin's official intent to reimburse itself from the proceeds of tax-exempt obligations to be issued through October 2013 for acquisition and construction costs in an aggregate maximum principal amount of \$244,372,000 related to Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Austin Water Utility Capital Improvement Projects.

Resolution No. 20120910-008 was approved on Council Member Martinez' motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole's second on a 7-0 vote.

9. Ratify the property tax increase reflected in the Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.
The motion to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the budget for fiscal year 2012-2013 was approved on Mayor Pro Tem Cole motion, Council Member Spelman's second on a 7-0 vote.

10. Approve an ordinance adopting and levying a property (ad valorem) tax rate for the City of Austin for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

Ordinance No. 20120910-010 to adopt and levy a Property (Ad Valorem) Tax Rate for the City of Austin for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 at a tax rate of 50.29 cents per hundred dollar valuation, which is effectively a 4.1 percent increase, was approved on Council Member Spelman's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole's second on a 6-1 vote. Mayor Leffingwell voted nay.

Mayor Leffingwell recessed the Council Meeting and called the Board of Directors' Meeting of the Austin Housing Finance Corporation to order at 3:37 p.m. See separate minutes.

Mayor Leffingwell recessed the Austin Housing Finance Corporation meeting and called the Board of Directors' Meeting of the Mueller Local Government Corporation to order at 3:39 p.m. See separate minutes.

Mayor Leffingwell called the Council Meeting back to order at 3:40 p.m.

Mayor Leffingwell adjourned the meeting at 3:48 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 27th day of September, 2012 on Council Member Morrison's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Cole's second on a 7-0 vote.